HOUSE BILL 709

By Weaver

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, Chapter 6, relative to early voting in certain municipal elections.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-6-102(b), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (1) and by deleting the language "In the case of a municipal election" and by substituting instead the language "Except as provided in subdivision (b)(2), in the case of a municipal election."

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-6-102(b), is amended by adding the following language as a new subdivision (2):

(2) In the case of a municipal election scheduled to be held on a date other than one that coincides with the August or November general election for a municipality having a population of five thousand (5,000) or less, if there is no opposition for any of the offices involved there shall be no early voting period unless the municipality files a request with the county election commission for the early voting period in subdivision (b)(1) to apply.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.